

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Initially, Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for conducting an interview with Applicant's representative, Kristi Kuhnert.

During the interview, Applicant's representatives presented arguments distinguishing the claims from the cited references. In particular, Applicant's representative presented arguments along the lines of those set forth below in the section entitled "Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102" and "Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C § 103". Specifically, Applicant's representative presented arguments as to how Kandasamy does not disclose the claimed storage area network.

Also discussed during the interview were proposed amendments to the claims. In the interest of expediting prosecution of the application, and without conceding the propriety of the rejection, Applicant's representative proposes to amend the independent claims to further clarify features of Applicant's claimed subject matter.

Accordingly, Applicant's representative amends the independent claims herein as discussed during the interview and respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance.